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Lt. General Joseph F. Carroll, USAF  
Director, Defense Intelligence Agency  
Department of Defense  
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear General Carroll:

This is in reply to your letter of 7 May 1962 which discusses the need of the Joint Chiefs of Staff for pertinent information concerning the internal situation in countries to be visited by the President. Similar requirements are also generated by the Department of State and the Secret Service. The Agency is now preparing reports and estimates on Mexico and Brazil for this purpose. I believe we can be responsive to your requirements by suggesting the following system of contact.

For the provision of current intelligence and estimates, the point of contact will be Mr. R. J. Smith, the Assistant Director for Current Intelligence. Mr. Smith's telephone extension is  For all other matters, including counterintelligence and information on the internal security situation in the countries to be visited, the point of contact is Mr.  who is our liaison officer with your Executive Officer, Lt. Colonel Homer Moore.

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I should like to assure you that we welcome the opportunity to be of assistance to you in this important matter, and I feel confident that the points of contact I have indicated will be able to satisfy your requirements. If they do not, or if you have other procedures to suggest, I would be happy to discuss this with you or your appointed representative.

Faithfully yours,

DIA review(s) completed.

(Signed) Marshall S. Carter

Marshall S. Carter  
Lieutenant General, USA  
Deputy Director.

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SUBJECT: (U) Presidential Visits to Foreign Countries

TO: Mr. John A. McCone  
Director, Central Intelligence  
Washington 25, D. C.

1. The Joint Chiefs of Staff have been assigned the responsibility within the Department of Defense for coordination of special military security matters pertaining to Presidential or Vice Presidential trips outside the United States.
2. To carry out this responsibility the Joint Chiefs of Staff need pertinent information concerning the internal situation in the countries to be visited with emphasis on aspects of internal security, risks and threats. In the past CIA has proved to be the only source, in some instances, of the information required for appropriate recommendations.
3. This is a problem which will undoubtedly be recurring at varying intervals and one which I am sure is of interest to government agencies other than the Department of Defense. I believe, therefore, that there is a need to establish a system which will provide the Joint Chiefs of Staff the information they require. The forthcoming Presidential trip to Mexico now tentatively scheduled for the period 29 June to 3 July 1962 highlights the problem and makes it one of current concern.
4. On the occasion of the Presidential visit to Colombia and Venezuela the USIB was requested to provide an estimate as to the likelihood of incidents which would endanger or embarrass the President. This was done through the medium of a SNIE. You may desire to continue this method. I would appreciate your views on establishing a system whereby DIA can meet its commitment to provide the Joint Chiefs of Staff with the required information in ample time for the Mexican visit and other subsequent visits outside the United States.

*Joseph F. Carroll*  
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Lt General, USAF  
Director

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**Remarks:** This is for your information and appropriate action within your organization. I suggest that the DD/I be the focal point for coordinating the CIA effort on Presidential trips and for the necessary liaison with DIA and JCS. Also that DD/I prepare a reply to this communication. Further, I suggest that this matter be briefly reviewed at the staff meeting on Tuesday, 15 May.

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